

- BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH -

In the Matter of the Application of)
Questar Gas for Approval of Third Year) DOCKET NO. 08-057-22
Budget for 2009 Demand Side)
Management Programs and Market) ORDER FOR REMAINDER 2009
Transformation Initiative) DSM EXPENDITURES
)

ISSUED: September 21, 2009

SYNOPSIS

The Commission tentatively approves Questar Gas Company's request to increase its demand side management budget for the remainder of 2009. The Commission requires additional reports to be filed.

By The Commission:

On October 1, 2008, Questar Gas Company ("Questar" or "Company") submitted its proposed demand side management and market transformation 2009 budget, of \$17.787 million, for Commission approval. By Order issued December 3, 2008, we approved the budget. Since that time, however, expenditures for two programs, the ThermWise Weatherization Program and the ThermWise Multifamily Program, have greatly exceeded the projected levels, while other programs have followed their initial projections. In reports submitted in March and June, 2009, Questar requested approval of increased budget levels, to react to the greater demand experienced for these DSM programs.

By Memorandum dated September 1, 2009, the Division of Public Utilities ("Division") provides its review of Questar's DSM activities and request for approval of a higher budget amount. The Division recommends: the Commission give interim approval of a \$40.7 million DSM budget requested by Questar in the June 30, 2009, report; require Questar to provide an updated projection of the total 2009 DSM programs' expenses along with actual

results through August 31, 2009, as soon as possible; and require Questar to provide monthly updates of expenditures in the ThermWise Weatherization and ThermWise Multi-Family programs for the remainder of the year. No other responses to Questar's budget increase requests have been received. Base upon the Company's requests, the Division's Memorandum, the past expenditures for these programs and the likely level of expenditures for the remainder of 2009, we will grant the request, but as suggested by the Division.

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that:

1. The Commission gives interim approval of a \$40.7 million budget for 2009.
2. Questar shall provide an updated projection of the total 2009 DSM programs' expenses along with actual results through August 31, 2009, as soon as possible. These updates shall be provided to the Division and the Commission.
3. Questar shall provide monthly updates of its expenditures in the ThermWise Weatherization and ThermWise Multi-Family programs for the remainder of the year. These monthly updates shall be provided to the Division and the Commission.

DATED at Salt Lake City, Utah, this 21st day of September, 2009.

/s/ Ted Boyer, Chairman

/s/ Ric Campbell, Commissioner

/s/ Ron Allen, Commissioner

Attest:

/s/ Julie Orchard
Commission Secretary
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